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SUBJECT: US-EGYPT JOINT BUSINESS COUNCIL

REF: CAIRO 9473, CAIRO 9472, STATE 211527

1. BREWER HAS SUGGESTED BRIEFING BY AMBASSADOR AND
EMBASSY STAFF ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12, BE CHANGED FROM 11:00
A.M. TO 10:00 A.M. IN ORDER TO LEAVE MORE OF THE DAY FREE
BOTH FOR THE AMBASSADOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS. PLEASE
ADVISE. BRIEFING WILL BE AT EMBASSY AS REQUESTED.

2. BREWER REPORTS EGYPTIANS WERE AGREEABLE TO TIMING OF
ACTIVITIES AS GENERALLY OUTLINED IN STATE 211527.

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3. HE ALSO REPORTS LITTLE SUCCESS IN GETTING ADDITIONAL

REPRESENTATION ON THE EGYPTIAN SIDE. EMBASSY CORRECT THAT HASSAN ABDEL FATTAH, CHAIRMAN OF GOFI AND MAHMOUD LOUFTY, OUTGOING VICE CHAIRMAN OF AUTHORITY FOR INVESTMENTS AND FREE ZONES HAVE BEEN ADDED BUT OTHER NAMES MENTIONED CAIRO 9472 MAY OR MAY NOT PARTICIPATE. MINISTERS HILAL (PETROLEUM) AND OSMAN (HOUSING AND RECONSTRUCTION) AND/OR OTHER GOE OFFICIALS MAY PARTICIPATE IN FIRST TWO SESSIONS ON THE 13TH BUT NOT ON THE 14TH. SESSIONS ON THE 14TH ARE TO BE RESTRICTED TO COUNCIL MEMBERS.

4. US PARTICIPANTS HAVE BEEN FOREWARNED THAT EGYPTIANS MAY PRESENT THEM WITH A LARGE "WISH LIST" OF PROJECTS. IF THIS HAPPENS, US SIDE PLANS TO TRY TO USE THIS AS AN OPPORTUNITY TO STRESS TO EGYPTIANS THAT THIS IS NOT RPT NOT THE MOST EFFECTIVE WAY TO PUT FORWARD PROJECT PROPOSALS.

5. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ORGANIZERS UNDERSTAND POLITICAL SIGNIFICANCE OF HIGH LEVEL ATTENDANCE. LIST OF ACTUAL US PARTICIPANTS NOT YET FINAL BUT WILL TRANSMIT NAMES TO EMBASSY WHEN AVAILABLE. KISSINGER

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